

2003
FALL STATE QUALIFIER
USSSA Softball Tournament

Men's Fall Recreational
(D & below)

LOCATION: SOUTH LAKES SOFTBALL COMPLEX
5300 S. Meridian
Wichita, KS

TOURNAMENT RULES

HOME RUN RULES

One home run will be allowed. After that a home run will constitute an out only.

BALLS: Each team will furnish and hit their own blue stitch balls (USSSA approved .47 core)

NOTE: **Any team using a sanctioned Class C or above player will be disqualified from the tournament.**

1. Games will be played according to the rules and regulations of the United States Slo-pitch Softball Association. All teams must be USSSA Sanctioned to participate.
2. Players may play for one team only. Any team using a sanctioned Class C or above player will be disqualified from the tournament under the bylaws of USSSA. **THIS RULE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.**
3. There will be a command center for check-in. Team rosters must be submitted to the Command Center at least 30 minutes prior to the team's first game.
4. Teams are to report to the field 15 minutes before game time. Forfeit time is game time. Umpire's watch shall be the official timepiece. No grace period will be allowed for starting games. A forfeit will be declared by the umpire if a team cannot field the required number of players at the designated time. The short hand rule will apply.
5. Visiting team decided by flip of coin.
6. Official ground rules that will govern play will be discussed before each game between umpires and managers. On all other matters pertaining to the game, **ONLY MANAGERS AND COACHES SHALL CONFER WITH THE UMPIRES.** When the umpire calls "play ball" the game must resume immediately. Any unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated. Absolutely no profane language allowed. **NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ALLOWED ON THE PLAYING FIELD OR DUGOUT AREA. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.**

7. All protest on rule interpretations shall be settled at the point of protest before game continues. An umpire's judgement call can not be protested and will not be heard.
8. A 15-run lead at the end of three innings and 10-run lead at the end of five innings or any inning thereafter constitutes an official game. This rule does not apply to the finals.
9. In the event of rain or any other cause which prevents playing an official ball game, the game will be resumed at the exact point where it left off. This will be done at the earliest opportunity. In case of rain, 3-1/2 innings constitutes a complete and official game.
10. Second foul ball after two strikes constitutes an automatic out.
11. No metal cleats allowed, PERIOD. Soccer shoes or tennis shoes will be permitted.
12. Smoking will not be permitted on the field or in the coaches' boxes.
13. All team officials and players and umpires participating in the tournaments will do so at their own risk. Tournament Officials, Wichita USSSA, and Wichita Park Department may not be held responsible for any injuries during the tournaments.
14. In the event of inclement weather conditions, the tournament will be rescheduled at a later date. If the tournament situation is questionable the Friday before the tournament or days of the tournament please call 219-9777.

If you have any questions regarding the tournament, please call Rod Tanner at 268-4361.

Thank you for playing at the South Lakes Sports Complex.